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Double Patenting

1. The nonstatutory double patenting rejection is based on a judicially created doctrine grounded in public policy (a policy reflected in the statute) so as to prevent the unjustified or improper timewise extension of the "right to exclude" granted by a patent and to prevent possible harassment by multiple assignees. See *In re Goodman*, 11 F.3d 1046, 29 USPQ2d 2010 (Fed. Cir. 1993); *In re Longi*, 759 F.2d 887, 225 USPQ 645 (Fed. Cir. 1985); *In re Van Ornum*, 686 F.2d 937, 214 USPQ 761 (CCPA 1982); *In re Vogel*, 422 F.2d 438, 164 USPQ 619 (CCPA 1970);and, *In re Thorington*, 418 F.2d 528, 163 USPQ 644 (CCPA 1969).

A timely filed terminal disclaimer in compliance with 37 CFR 1.321© may be used to overcome an actual or provisional rejection based on a nonstatutory double patenting ground provided the conflicting application or patent is shown to be commonly owned with this application. See 37 CFR 1.130(b).

Effective January 1, 1994, a registered attorney or agent of record may sign a terminal disclaimer. A terminal disclaimer signed by the assignee must fully comply with 37 CFR 3.73(b).

2. Claims 1-3, 5-8, 10-14, 16-20, 22-24, are rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1-14 of U.S. Patent No. 6,216,005. Although the conflicting claims are not identical, they are not patentably distinct

from each other because claims 1-14, of US patent 6,216,005 recites a mobile device of instant application encompass the subject matter previously patented.

Regarding Claims 1, 5, 10, Agrawal 6,216,005 teaches a system for enabling a telephone subscriber to switch an on going telephone call between wireline services provided through a central office in the public switched telephone network and cellular services provided by a mobile switching center in a cellular network, the subscriber wireline and cellular telephone being assigned different telephone numbers, said system (claim 1) comprising:

a routing table for identifying specific telephone subscribers entitled to switch on going telephone calls between wireline and wireless services (claim 9, col 18 lines 47-66, a routing table is a conventional table that is located in the central switching office, and addressed the calls to the third number),

a look-up identifying the correspondence of said one specific telephone subscriber's wire line and cellular telephones **numbers** (claim 4, col 17 lines 20-32, this table as explained in 6,216,005, and the specification of the present application on page 19 lines 3-4 lactated in the FCMA that is located in the MSC),

a monitor circuit responsive to a unique signal during the existence of on-going telephone call telephone call involving the specific subscriber from one specific telephone subscriber indicating a desired transfer between said one specific telephone subscriber's wireline and cellular telephones (claim 2, col 16 lines 52-56 and claim 3, col 17 lines 1-2), and

switch means for effecting the transfer of the **on-going telephone call** (claim 4 col 17 lines 37-39, claim 2, col 16 lines 60-62, and claim 3, col 17 lines 8-13).

Regarding Claim 3, a system for enabling a telephone subscriber to switch an on-going telephone call between wireline services provided through a central office PSTN in the public switched

network and cellular service provided by a mobile switching center in a cellular network comprising:

a fixed cellular mobility agent associated with the mobile switching center, the fixed mobility agent having switching and signaling capabilities (claim 7, col 18 lines 15-17).

Regarding Claim 16, Agrawal 6,216,005 teaches a system for enabling a telephone subscriber to switch an on-going telephone call between wireline and cellular telephones to the other of the subscriber's telephones, the subscriber wireline and cellular telephone being assigned different telephone numbers (claim 6 lines 56-60), the method comprising:

monitoring a call connection to one of the subscriber's telephone to detect a request by the subscriber to switch the **on-going connection** between the subscriber's telephones (claim 6, col 17 lines 62-63),

obtaining the telephone number of the other of the subscriber's telephones (claim 6, col 17 lines 63-64),

initiating an outgoing call from the other of the subscriber's telephones (claim 6, col 17 lines 67),

establishing a connection to the other of the subscriber's telephones (claim 6, col 18 lines 1-4), and

bridging the connections to the one and the other of the subscriber's telephones and terminating the connection to the one of the subscriber's telephones (claim 6, col 18 lines 5-6).

Response to Arguments

3. Applicant's arguments with respect to claims have been considered but are moot in view of the new ground(s) of rejection.

Conclusion

4. Applicant's amendment necessitated the new ground(s) of rejection presented in this Office action. Accordingly, **THIS ACTION IS MADE FINAL.** See MPEP § 706.07(a). Applicant is reminded of the extension of time policy as set forth in 37 CFR 1.136(a).

A shortened statutory period for reply to this final action is set to expire THREE MONTHS from the mailing date of this action. In the event a first reply is filed within TWO MONTHS of the mailing date of this final action and the advisory action is not mailed until after the end of the THREE-MONTH shortened statutory period, then the shortened statutory period will expire on the date the advisory action is mailed, and any extension fee pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) will be calculated from the mailing date of the advisory action. In no event, however, will the statutory period for reply expire later than SIX MONTHS from the date of this final action.

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Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to the technology Center 2600 Customer Service Office whose telephone number is (703) 306-0377.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communication from the examiner should be directed to Melody Mehrpour whose telephone number is (703) 308-7159. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday through Thursday (first week of bi-week) and Monday through Friday (second week of bi-week) from 6:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

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